



## **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**Mayor and Council**

**Borough of Harrington Park, New Jersey**

**February 21, 2023**

### **(PAH) Call Meeting to Order**

**Time: 7:03 pm**

#### **Mayor's Announcement:**

In compliance with Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, adequate notice of the meeting was made. It is included in the Annual Meetings posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Center. Copies have been emailed to the BERGEN RECORD and SUBURBANITE. A copy has been filed with the Borough Clerk, and copies have been provided to individuals requesting the same.

#### **(LA) Roll Call:**

	PRESENT	ABSENT
<b>MAYOR HOELSCHER (PAH)</b>	X	
<b>NAPOLITANO(AN)</b>	X	
<b>EVANELLA (GE)</b>	X	
<b>BLACKINTON(WB)</b>	X	
<b>WALKER (DW)</b>	X	
<b>PEDERSEN (JP)</b>	X	
<b>CHUNG (JC)</b>	X	

#### **Also present:**

**Ms. Leena Abaza, Deputy Clerk (LA)**

**Mr. Kunjesh Trivedi (KJT)**

**Mr. John Dineen, Borough Attorney (JRD)**

#### **(PAH) Flag Salute**

#### **(PAH) Minutes Approval**

➤ None

**GE Motioned to suspend regular business.**

**Second JP**

**Roll Call Vote AIF**

**(PAH)Open the Meeting to the Public for General Discussion**

**Motion GE**

**Second JP**

**Vote AIF**

Janice Furie, 182 La Roche Avenue – She stated she is a dog owner who would like to advocate for dogs to be able to run and have activities in open spaces. Harrington Park is a beautiful town that is clean, and safe with a great school system for the children. In the same way, children can play freely, she would like to see dogs being able to run and play fetch freely at Columbus Field since they are not allowed in other parks in town. She requested to suspend the leash law at Columbus Field.

Diana Di Giacomo, 32 Norma Road - She said we have an amazing town, it is small and everyone knows each other. She stated she resides across the street from Columbus field. Various activities take place, kite flying, baseball, etc. Columbus Field is used for so many different activities. She is in agreement that dogs should be unleashed but turning Columbus Field into a Dog Park is not necessary. She mentioned it will change the ambiance of the field.

Patrick Collins, 247 La Roche Avenue – He said he was in agreement with Diana, great town. Parks & Recreation sites are amazing and for everyone. Due to the fact that dogs are not allowed in other parks in town, maybe we can designate certain hours for the dogs to run and play freely at Columbus Field.

Christine Novak, 100 Columbus Avenue – She mentioned her house is the last house on the street that has the water company-owned property behind it. She made the distinction between calling it “Columbus Field” (open space) and not a dog park. She stated that it should remain open space because the residents enjoy open space in the town.

(PAH) Mayor Hoelscher responded by stating he has heard that some of the residents are interested in making a change to Columbus Field. He said that he appreciates the resident’s input. The Borough continues to pursue the rules & regulations that govern a dog park. He stated he would have to assign a Council member to do the research on this matter. He assured the residents that the Mayor and Council will do what is in the best interest of the Borough. He thanked everyone for their attendance.

**(PAH) Close the Meeting to the Public for General Discussion**

**Motion GE**

**Second JP**

**Vote AIF**

(PAH) He asked the Council if they had any comments regarding the above matter. The Council members stated they have no comments at this time.

**GE Motioned to move to regular business.**

**Second JP**

**Roll Call Vote AIF**

**GE** stated he has a question regarding resolution # 2023-63. Does Mr. Hess have the necessary credentials to be hired as the Electrical Sub-Code Official?

**KJT** stated yes. He is the Northvale Electrical Sub-Code Official and he owns his own electric company. We interviewed three candidates and he was one of them.

(PAH) requested a motion and second to add Resolutions # 2023-63 and 2023-64.

**Motion AN**

**Second JP**

**Roll Call**

**Yes: AN, GE, WB, DW, JP, JC**

**No: -0-**

**(PAH) Consent Agenda-Resolutions-**

All matters listed under this section are considered to be routine by the Borough Council and will be enacted by one motion as listed below. There will not be separate discussion of these items. Should discussion be desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately under New or Old Business on the Agenda. The following resolutions on the Consent Agenda are hereby approved (Resolution #2023-57 - Resolution #2023-64):

<b>RESOLUTION # 2023-57</b>	Resolution of the Borough of Harrington Park providing for the hosting of the Farmers Market and Use of Borough Property
<b>RESOLUTION # 2023-58</b>	Appointing a Municipal Housing Liaison Officer – Carolyn Lee
<b>RESOLUTION # 2023-59</b>	Authorize Change Order #1 for the Renovations & Improvements to the Restroom Building at Highland Field
<b>RESOLUTION # 2023-60</b>	Authorize Final Payment in the amount of \$12, 376.67 to Goksu Construction LLC for the Renovations & Improvements to the Restroom Building at Highland Field
<b>RESOLUTION # 2023-61</b>	Membership Approval Harrington Park Volunteer Fire Department- Dong – Joo Lee
<b>RESOLUTION # 2023-62</b>	Bill List for February 21, 2023
<b>RESOLUTION # 2023-63</b>	Appoint Electrical Sub-Code Official
<b>RESOLUTION # 2023-64</b>	Transfer of Funds Resolution

**Motion AN**

**Second JP**

**Roll Call**

**Yes: AN, GE, WB, DW, JP, JC**

**No: -0-**

**Individual Committee Reports**

**(PAH) Mayor Hoelscher**

No Official Report.

**(AN) Planning Bd., Bd. of Adjustment, Construction, Fire, Ambulance**

AN reported on Fire Department for the Month of January:

- 14 Calls
- 4 Drills
- 2 Jr Drills
- 2 inspections
- 1 company meeting
- 1 officers meeting
- 1 Interboro meeting
- 2 work nights
- 1 County Fire Radio Subcommittee Meeting

**AN** mentioned the Automatic Aid Agreement and Fire Chief applied for a FEMA grant for around \$400,000, the Fire Chief Jesse Barragato (JB) will elaborate on these items.

**JB** reported:

HPFD applied for a FEMA grant on February 8, 2023. Instead of having a grant writer do it, we did it ourselves. The FEMA grant is in the amount of \$428,000 to upgrade the radios. Our outlay and what we really need is \$55,000 to \$60,000. FEMA allows us to ask for more money than we need there is a 5% match for this grant. We do need the resolution to be adopted at the next meeting for this FEMA grant. We are also applying for another grant that we were denied last year due to the narrative (even though we hired someone to write it). This year Motorola is assisting with writing the narrative. HPFD needs to create an incentive for newly hired members- we need to offer them monies and hopefully, we will get this grant. Other towns are paid FD or have a stipend program. Social Media is a great tool to use for recruiting new members. He requested that the Mayor and Council consider adopting an Automatic Aid Agreement even though there is the Mutual Aid and Deployment Act in place. With the Automatic Aid Agreement towns cannot pick and choose which town they want to respond to. Automatic Aid will consist of the closest towns to HP.

**AN** questioned if other towns have Automatic Aid, there is an additional cost, is more strain on the HPFD equipment, and is a one-year cycle. He also asked the JB if he could separate the Automatic response calls from the HP calls.

**JB** responded by stating all the towns are on the same page. It is not more costly- time/energy mostly and there is no additional wear and tear on the HPFD equipment. It is a one-year agreement.

**JRD** stated he would like to look into the Mutual Aid a bit further and review the documents that JB has submitted.

After a brief discussion, **AN** stated **JRD** has to review the Automatic Aid documentation to give his legal opinion.

**KJT** questioned if any of the surrounding towns have implemented the Automatic Aid Agreement.

**JB** stated that none of the surrounding towns have implemented the Automatic Aid Agreement.

**AN** thanked the HPFD Chief for all his effort and he said the Finance Committee will meet to discuss and get a resolution ready.

**AN** reported on the Ambulance Corps stating they had 31 calls this month (22 for HP and 9 for Mutual Aid calls). He mentioned the meeting the Ambulance Corps had a great meeting and stated they have a 5-year plan for the future that outlines what they need. He said everyone should have a copy of the 5-year plan and a copy was sent to KJT. It is customary for the town to cover the purchase of radios and ambulance costs. The Ambulance Corps and HPFD maintain themselves and are not requesting anything out of the ordinary.

#### **(GE) Police, Municipal Court, Personnel**

**GE** reported on the PD by stating the following:

He stated he would like to give a summation of 2022. The PD overtime was \$34,000 in the red in 2022. There were:

- 730 summonses written
- 610 written warnings
- Patrolled 51,119 miles
- Highlight of the year 2022 was the use of the E-Ticket system increased the number of tickets from 2021 by 116 more tickets written in 2022.
- 99 calls that the PD responded to at the Allegro facility

January 2023

- 45 summonses written
- 26 equipment violations
- 11 were moving violations
- 8 were parking violations
- 57 warnings
- 179 traffic enforcement details
- 6 radar details
- 77 Motor Vehicle stops
- 975 service calls
- Only 4 sick days for two Officers (2 days for each one) were used in the month of January.
- PD Overtime \$4004.00

**(PAH)** He requested Councilman Evanella to go take a look at the signs that were posted on Blanche Ave. One sign was placed all the way at the end of Blanche Ave. It is hard to see that sign. Please report back to us.

**GE** responded by stating he will look at the signs on Blanche Ave. and report back to the Mayor and Council.

**(DW) DPW, Building & Grounds, Sanitation/Recycling**

**DW reported on the following:**

**DPW report for the month of December 2022**

- DPW did its last leaf collection on December 13, 2022. That was the 17<sup>th</sup> pass.
- Recycling tonnage report curbside 42.99 tons and recycling center 8.67 tons.

**DPW report for the month of January 2023:**

- On January 3, 2023, to remove a tree that had fallen across the walking path.
- On January 3, 2023, to clear debris from the headwall on Arthur Place.
- On January 6<sup>th</sup>, one man was called in at 6:30 am to remove a tree that had fallen into the roadway near the jug handle on Bogert's Mill Road.
- On January 17<sup>th</sup>, we began constructing a new temporary "Do Not Enter" sign that can be placed out on Downing Place during school hours. A new ordinance was created for the use of the sign and our Police Department asked our assistance in creating a new rollout signpost to mount the Do Not Enter sign.
- During January, DPW began a large renovation project of our office at the DPW garage. Damage to the drop ceiling tiles, sheetrock walls, and tile floor had occurred as a result of our damaged roof. Once the roof repair had been completed, DPW Superintendent Steve Nappi discussed the needs of the DPW office with KJT and together they formulated a plan in which the majority of the work would be done by our DPW crew, with the exception of the installation of a new floor. DPW will continue this project into February with the installation of new shelves and the installation of a new floor is scheduled for late March / early April.
- Recycling tonnage for curbside was at 21.16 Tons and the Recycling Center was at 4.64 Tons.
- During January, the following recyclables were delivered by us to market: 9,280 lbs of cardboard

**(WB) Board of Health, Environmental Commission**

No official report at this time.

**(JP) Finance, Admin. & Exec., Grants**

**JP reported on the following:**

- Website meeting that is finalizing the details of the new Borough Website.
- KJT will meet with the Bond Counsel.
- The Municipal Budget will be introduced in March and adopted in April.

**(JC) Recreation Commission, Liaison to Board of Education, Public Information**

**JC reported on the following:**

- New Recreation Commission Chair is Mr. Robert Hawang and Ashley Piescia is the Vice Chair.
- Fishing Derby at Pondside is scheduled for June 17, 2023, from 9 am to 11 am.
- Town Day is scheduled for Saturday, September 9, 2023, rain date of Sunday, September 10, 2023, from 12 pm to 4 pm.
- Rag Muffin Parade is scheduled for Saturday, October 28, 2023, at 10 am at the Borough Hall parking lot.
- Recreation Commission is working on the field maintenance contract. The Recreation Commission gave their recommendations. She requested JRD review the current contract along with the Recreation Commission's
- Three Brothers Landscaping Company will take care of the 9/11 Memorial and pavilion area of charge and they do not want the Borough to advertise for them (they do not want to put up any signs). Thanked Three Brothers landscaping for their kindness and contribution.
- Recreation would like to get rid of the porta potties because they are draining the Rec budget. There will be one porta-potty remaining by the Tennis Courts.
- Recreation would like to start an IG account. She asked JRD if there are any restrictions. JRD said no.
- She mentioned the new HPBOE Mr. Peter Toomin and Vice President Matthew Lehmann.
- HSA will be hosting a CPR course for middle school students.

**(KJT) Acting Borough Administrator**

**KJT reported on the following:**

- Mentioned the Resolution to appoint Carolyn Lee as the Affordable Housing Liaison.
- Met with Police Chief Murphy and the DPW Superintendent regarding Blanche Ave.
- Responses were emailed to Senator Holly T. Schepisi and Congressman Josh Gottheimer's office regarding Blanche Ave.
- All the required documentation has been submitted to Riverside Co-op for the road improvement program.
- Mentioned the mosquito spraying that Bergen County Mosquito Commission does annually - the Council needs to give consent to the County to go ahead with the mosquito spraying. We can do a resolution and post a link on the website.

JC mentioned that JRD needs to draft an accessibility policy for the website.

KJT reported that there will be a meeting tomorrow with Bergen County Engineer's Office to discuss Blanche Ave.

PAH stated he would like everyone to know that we are moving towards resolving the safety issue on Blanche Ave.

DW questioned if the County did the traffic study.

KJT he stated the Bergen County Engineer requested all the accident reports for Blanche Ave. for the past three years before they do the traffic study. Police Chief Robert Murphy did submit the accident reports as requested.

**Old Business**

AN mentioned an email received regarding the train horn. He urged the Council to look at the notes. This has come up before and the Governing Body has been working on this.

AN stated he had attended the Swim Club Meeting. They had an open public meeting and a closed session meeting. Nothing to report to the Council but I will report to my committee.

**New Business**

GE stated that Police Chief Murphy notified him that two of his officers, Sgt. Flyge and Officer Soodsma were involved in a life save with a long-time resident that was in complete cardiac arrest. They administered CPR and restored the resident back to life. Police Chief Murphy would like to honor his officers by giving them a Life-Saving Certificate at the next Mayor and Council Meeting.

JC made a motion to authorize the Borough to go out to bid for the George Street Tennis Court Improvement Project.  
**Second JP**

**Roll Call**

**Yes: AN, GE, WB, DW, JP, JC**

**No: -0-**

JC recommended that the coaches take a CPR course in order to avoid a tragedy. If AN can reach out to EMS to see if they can provide training to our coaches.

AN stated he will reach out to EMS to see when they can do the CPR training.

**Ordinances**

**(JP) Proposed Ordinance #769-23 – Introduction by Title.**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING BOROUGH ORDINANCE CHAPTER 85 AFFORDABLE HOUSING TO COMPLY WITH COAH REGULATIONS**

**Motion JP**

**Second DW**

**Discussion** JRD stated that the changes that were made to Chapter 85 entitled Affordable Housing were mandated by COAH and he did have the Planning Board Attorney and our Planning Consultant review it before it was introduced.

**Roll Call**

**Yes: AN, GE, WB, DW, JP, JC**

**No: -0-**

**(PAH) Mayor's Report**

No Official Report.

**(PAH) Motion for Closed Session Time: 8:30 pm**

**Second GE**

**Vote JP**

**JC made a motion to add Potential Litigation Swim Club to the closed session.**

**Second AN**

**AIF**

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 permits a public body to conduct business in Closed Session during a public meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council deem it necessary to discuss certain matters in Closed Session as permitted by the aforesaid statute.

(AN) Potential Litigation – Construction.  
(GE) Police – Contract Negotiations.  
(JC) Potential Litigation – Swim Club.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that discussion of the aforementioned subjects may be made public at such time as disclosure of the discussion will not detrimentally affect the interest and Borough as to said discussion.

**Return to Open Session 8: 54 pm**  
**Adjournment-Time: 8:55 pm**  
**Motion: GE**  
**Second: JC**  
**Vote: AIF**

**(PAH) Return to the Regular Order of Business-Time: 8:59 pm**  
**Motion GE**  
**Second DW**  
**Vote AIF**

**JC** motioned to add and approve resolution #2023-65 Grantee Authorizing Resolution (Open Space Grant for Improvement to the George Street Park Tennis Courts in the amount of \$87, 038).  
**Second AN**

**Roll Call**  
**Yes: AN, GE, WB, DW, JP, JC**  
**No: -0-**

**(PAH) Motion to Adjourn the meeting**                      **Time: 9 pm**  
**Second GE**  
**Vote AIF**

**RESOLUTION # 2023-57**                      Resolution of the Borough of Harrington Park providing for the hosting of the Farmers Market and Use of Borough Property

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Harrington Park has in the past and desires in the future to host a FARMERS MARKET using Highland Park lower basketball court and fields to the right and the left of such location, and the Borough endorsement.

**WHEREAS**, the hosting of the FARMERS MARKET is in the best interest of the community as a whole and provides for the health welfare and safety of all its residents;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park that the Borough shall host and endorse a FARMERS MARKET on the Sunday dates of August 13, 2023 through October 29, 2023.



**FURTHERMORE** that such FARMERS MARKET be conducted consistent with all protocols and requirements that the Borough has previously established and/or such additional protocols as may be deemed necessary for the safe and efficient conduct of such market. Furthermore, authorized personnel are hereby entrusted and directed to take action as necessary to establish the conduct of such market.

**RESOLUTION # 2023-58**      Appointing a Municipal Housing Liaison Officer

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Harrington Park has determined that there is a need to appoint a Municipal Housing Liaison Officer(s); and

**WHEREAS**, there is sufficient funding per the salary ordinance and the Chief Financial Officer has certified that there are sufficient funds to pay for such officials through the COAH Trust Fund.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that Carolyn Lee will be appointed as Municipal Housing Liaison Official for the Borough of Harrington Park for the sum of \$1500.00 annually and replacing Kunjesh Trivedi, CFO former Housing Liaison Official.

**RESOLUTION # 2023-59**      Authorize Change Order #1 for the Renovations & Improvements to the Restroom Building at Highland Field

Be it resolved by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park of Bergen County, New Jersey upon the recommendation of the Borough Engineer that the Change Order for the Contract listed below be and is hereby approved.

**TITLE OF JOB:** Renovations & Improvements to the Restroom Building at Highland Field

**CONTRACTOR:** Goksu Construction, LLC, P.O. Box 1533, Sparta, NJ 07871

**CHANGE ORDER No.:** 1 & Final

**AMOUNT OF CHANGE THIS RESOLUTION:** \$7,381.67 7.39% Increase

This Resolution to take effect upon certification by the Borough Treasurer that sufficient funds are available.

**Dated:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Certified:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Treasurer

**Dated:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Approved:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

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I, Leena Abaza, Deputy Clerk of the Borough of Harrington Park, Bergen County, New Jersey do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park at a regular meeting held on February 21, 2023.

**Dated:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

**RESOLUTION # 2023-60**

Authorize Final Payment in the amount of \$12, 376.67 to Goksu Construction LLC for the Renovations & Improvements to the Restroom Building at Highland Field

Be it resolved by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park, Bergen County, New Jersey that the contract for the **Renovations & Improvements to the Restroom Building at Highland Field** was constructed by **Goksu Construction, LLC, P.O. Box 1533, Sparta, New Jersey 07871** in accordance with the Plans and Specifications and any approved Change Orders, as directed by the Borough Engineer. The Contractor has submitted a 1-year warranty for labor and materials per the contract. The said construction is hereby accepted and final payment in the amount of **Twelve Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-Six Dollars and Sixty-Seven Cents (\$12,376.67)** is hereby approved.

This Resolution is to take effect immediately.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

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CERTIFICATION

I, Leena Abaza, Deputy Clerk of the Borough of Harrington Park, Bergen County, New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park, at a regular meeting held February 21, 2023.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

**RESOLUTION # 2023-61**

Membership Approval Harrington Park Volunteer Fire Department – Dong – Joo Lee

To approve the admittance of Dong – Joo Lee, of Harrington Park, New Jersey as an active member of the Harrington Park Volunteer Fire Department and shall also be approved for membership in New Jersey’s State Fireman’s Association.

**RESOLUTION # 2023-62** Bill List for February 21, 2023

**WHEREAS**, claims have been submitted to the Borough of Harrington Park in the following amounts under various funds of the town:

Current Appropriations (2022)	\$ 347,052.17
Current Appropriations (2023)	\$ 1,086,654.92
General Capital Fund	\$ 57,373.07
Animal Trust	\$ 1,221.10
Miscellaneous Trust	\$ 158,144.33
Affordable Housing Trust	\$
Open Space Trust Fund	\$
Grants	\$
Escrow	\$
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,650,445.59</b>

**WHEREAS**, above claims have been listed and summarized in the attached Bills List Report, and the corresponding vouchers have been reviewed and approved by the department head, Borough Council, and the chief financial officer; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has determined that the funds have been properly appropriated for such purposes and are available in the Borough of Harrington Park and that the claims specified on the schedule attached hereto, following examination and approval by the Council and Chief Financial Officer and Department Head be paid and checks issued accordingly; and

**WHEREAS**, claims have already been paid in the following amounts for the purpose specified below:

Payroll- Salaries/Wages Jan 2023	\$ 321,146.28
Payroll- Salaries/Wages Feb 10 2023	\$ 121,076.75
Payroll- Salaries/Wages/disability Health	\$ 114,650.83
Payroll-Salaries/Wages/disability- Other Funds \$	
Local School-	\$ 1,103,529.00
Regional School –	\$ 708,024.25
Capital Fund/Health Benefits/Pensions	\$
Debt Services Principle (bond)	\$
Debt Services Interest	\$
Debt Service Loan/Interest (NJEIT)	\$
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,368,427.11</b>

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park that the claims totaling **\$ 4,018,872.70** be approved and ratified respectively.

**RESOLUTION # 2023-63 Appoint Electrical Sub-Code Official**

**WHEREAS**, the Building Department of the Borough of Harrington Park needs an electrical sub-code official since the current Electrical Sub-code Official has retired.

**WHEREAS**, such a position promotes the health, safety, and welfare of Harrington Park and its residents.

**WHEREAS**, Scott Wickersham, the Construction Official, and Administrator have offered the name of Richard Hess to hold the position for \$8000.00 per year, working from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm Tuesdays and Thursdays every week effective February 27, 2023.

**WHEREAS**, CFO has certified that funds are available, and it will be reflected in the 2023 Salary ordinance.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Council hereby employ and otherwise accept the appointment of Richard Hess as Electrical Sub-code Official for the sum of \$8000 per annum working such hours as the Construction Official may designate.

**RESOLUTION # 2023-64 Transfer of Funds Resolution**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park that upon the recommendation of the Chief Financial Officer transfers will be made at this time between 2022 Budget line items.

02/21/2023

From:

2-01-26-290-000-100 Road Repairs and Maintenance \$14,202.00

To:

2-01-31-440-200	Telephone	\$2300
2-01-31-435-200	Street Lights	\$7400
2-01-26-310-200	Buildings and Grounds	\$3600
2-01-25-255-200	Fire Company	\$ 300
2-01-21-185-100	Zoning SW	\$ 600
2-01-31-462-200	BCUA	\$1
2-01-45-925-200	Debt Service	\$1

**RESOLUTION # 2023-65** Grantee Authorizing Resolution

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park wish to enter into a Bergen County Trust Fund Project Contract (“Contract”) with the County of Bergen for the purpose of using an \$87,038 matching grant award from the 2022 Funding Round of the Bergen County Open Space, Recreation, Floodplain Protection, Farmland & Historic Preservation Trust Fund (“Trust Fund”) for the municipal park project entitled Reconstruction of Two remaining George Street Tennis Courts, located in blocks 903 & 904, lots 30 & 1, on the tax maps of the Borough of Harrington Park.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Council hereby authorize Mayor and Borough Clerk to be the signatory of the aforesaid Contract; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Council hereby acknowledge that, in general, the use of this Trust Fund grant towards this approved park project must be completed by or about December 14, 2024; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Council acknowledge that the grant will be disbursed to the municipality as a reimbursement upon submittal of certified Trust Fund payment and project completion documents and municipal vouchers, invoices, proofs of payment, and other such documents as may be required by the County in accordance with the Trust Fund’s requirements; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Council acknowledge that the grant disbursement to the municipality will be equivalent to fifty (50) percent of the eligible construction costs incurred (not to exceed total grant award) applied towards only the approved park improvements identified in the aforesaid Contract in accordance with the Trust Fund’s requirements. Professional Services Costs may be reimbursed from grant award’s unexpended balance, should there be a balance.

(JC) Made a motion to add and approve Resolution # 2023-65 Grantee Authorizing Resolution (in the amount of \$87,038)

**Second AN**

**Roll Call**

**Yes: AN, GE, WB, DW, JP, JC**

**No: -0-**

Respectfully Submitted,

Leena Abaza, RMC  
Deputy Clerk